

RESPONSE AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION
Appl. No.: 09/481,069

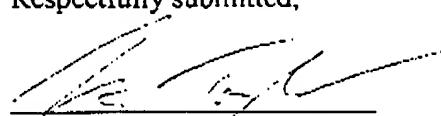
Danknick, Noble or Dunphy without the assistance of Applicants' own disclosure. As such, reliance on Pool would require engaging in impermissible use of hindsight.

Accordingly, the Examiner has agreed to withdraw the rejections as set forth in the final Office Action dated August 26, 2002.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,



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